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442ND

FIVE GILA MEN HOMEWARD BOUND

Five Gila men are listed among the 205 men of the 442nd Combat Team who left for a redeployment depot in Italy from where they will be transshipped to the States, according to a Fifth Army dispatch in the Pacific Citizen.

The five Gilas are:

Pfc. Henry I. Nakada, 47-9-A, formerly of Anchorage, Alaska.

First Sgt. Hatsuo Saray, 33-9-D, formerly of Los Angeles.

Pfc. Suzuto Tsukiji, 61-8-D, formerly of Sacramento.

Tech. Sgt. William E. Arii, formerly of 4-4-D Rivers, Ariz., and Concord, Calif.

Pfc. Ken M. Tashiro, 56-4-D.

FAMILY HOUSING OPEN IN REEDLEY

A delegation representing the board of directors of the Japanese language school at Reedley, Calif., met in Fresno to discuss the use of the school as temporary family housing. The Board will make facilities available immediately to returning evacuee families who have their own furniture. Ten to fifteen families can be accommodated.

Gila residents who are interested in securing accommodations should communicate directly with Denroku Sasaki, Rt. 1 Box 276, Reedley, Calif.—Telephone 26F3.

HOSPITAL TO END BEFORE NOV. 15

The Rivers hospital will be closed prior to the relocation deadline, November 15, stated Lee Prather, hospital superintendent.

He further stated, "There is no possibility of the obstetrical ward

AGRICULTURE SECRETARY HITS DISCRIMINATION

Secretary Clinton Anderson of the United States Department of Agriculture declares that refusal of Seattle produce merchants to deal in produce grown by Japanese Americans in

"unjustified discrimination" which must be corrected.

The secretary, newly appointed by President Truman, sent the following telegram on July 14 to Adwin, secretary of the Northwest Produce Association at Seattle:

"This Department is receiving numerous protests against refusal of Seattle Produce firms to handle produce grown by Japanese Americans. In view of present food situation, we believe such discrimination cannot be justified and urge your cooperation in correcting situation."

The Department has sent copies of this wire to all its offices on the West Coast, advising them that its action is to be regarded as a policy statement from the cabinet head.

Pending settlement of the Seattle marketing difficulties, the War Relocation Authority is aiding evacuee growers who have returned to the Seattle area to market their produce through other channels.

STUDENT AIDERS TO OPEN OFFICE

The student returnees who are on the project to aid student and family relocation will open an office in 43-16-C, today, July 18. They may be counseled during the hours of 10-12 a.m. and 3-5 p.m. Monday through Friday. The office will be open from 10-12 a.m.

One of the returnees will be in the office at the Canal Christian Church, block 7, during the above stated hours.

These offices are open not only to college-bound students but also to those who wish to go on to high school, and to all parents.

PHOTO DISPLAY ON RELOCATION

Pictorial Bulletin Boards have been installed in each of the district areas in Canal and Butte according to an announcement made today by the project reports officer. These bulletin boards display job offers now available in areas throughout the United States. Included in the bulletin board displays are photographs of resettlers from the Gila River Center, Nisei, Issei, and Kibei.

Layouts on these boards were handled by Jim Morii and Kazuo Kawakami under the direction of Miss Margaret Hokenson of the reports office.

Residents who want complete information about jobs or resettlement should contact their relocation advisers.

Small, but up-to-date, libraries on resettlement information are available in the district offices for use of residents in making their relocation plans. Block managers and block manager assistants will be glad to discuss these materials, pamphlets, and illustrated folders, issued both in English and in Japanese. Additional copies of job offers are posted on bulletin boards

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remaining open to the end for the care of expectant mothers. It is advisable that those in this category relocate as soon as possible so that they may arrange for medical care on the outside."